Statement—*Contd.*

Year, Name & Service of officer transferred	State to which transferred	Ground
1992 :		
1. S.A. Tagade, IAS	Maharashtra	Compassionate grounds
2. Arti Rishi, IAS	Orissa	Marriage
3. Archana Agarwal, IAS	Uttar Pradesh	Marriage
4. Sudhir Garg, IAS	Uttar Pradesh	Marriage
5. Saurabh Garg, IAS	Orissa	Marriage
6. Vandana Gurnani, IAS	Karnataka	Marriage
7. R.N. Gupta, IAS	Punjab	Compassionate grounds
8. Meena Ahuja, IAS	Rajasthan	Covered by policy on N.E. and J&K.
9. Smt. Tilotama Verma, IPS	Uttar Pradesh	Marraige
10. V.K. Bhawra, IPS	Punjab	Marriage
11. Rajeev Ranjan Verma, IPS	Uttar Pradesh	Marriage
12. Smt. Seema Agarwal, IPS	Tamil Nadu	Marriage
1993 (upto 25-4-93) :		
1. Anita Bhatnagar, IAS	Uttar Pradesh	Compassionate grounds
2. Manu Srivastava, IAS	Madhya Pradesh	Marriage
3. Smt. Pragya Richa, IPS	Madhya Pradesh	Marriage

Opportunities for Rural Based Candidates in UPSC Examination

494. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that due to English medium of various examinations conducted by Union Public Service Commission, many rural candidates do not succeed in the tests ;

(b) if so, what is the percentage of such failures :

(c) whether it is also a fact that in those tests the percentage of failures is more among SC/ST candidates ;

(d) if answers to (a), (b) and (c) above are in affirmative what steps Government are taking to ensure that rural based candidates and candidates belonging to SC/ST communities get better opportunities in the UPSC examinations ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA) : (a) to (d) The most important examination donducted by Union Public Service Commission, i.e., Civil Services (Main) Examination is not confined to English medium alone. Candidates also have the choice to appear for the examination in any of the languages mentioned in the VIIIth Schedule to the Constitution. As regards the question of rural candidates, in the absence of universally accepted criteria for differentiating between rural and urban candidates, no systematic study as regards their relative rates of failure has been possible. The Union Public Service Commission however, makes all efforts to ensure that the schemes of their examination, do not get weighted in favour of candidates from a particular region or

area. As far as SC/ST candidates are concerned, in many of their examinations, particularly those requiring general qualifications, the Commission have by and large been able to recommend sufficient number of candidates for filling posts reserved for them. Therefore, it cannot be said that the scheme of examinations is weighted against any category.

Conducting UPSC Examination in National Languages

495. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact a 'Satyagrahi' is going on for a long time in front of UPSC office to conduct UPSC examinations in national languages ;

(b) the number of Members of Parliament who have sent representations to President, Prime Minister, Home Minister and others in support of the demand of the Satyagrahis ; and

(c) what action Government have taken on such representations ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Members of Parliament have written from time to time in support of the demand of the 'Satyagrahis'. The exact figures about the number of such Members is not centrally available.

(c) The dmeand raised by the 'Satyagrahis' and others for introduction of Hindi and other Indian languages as well as for the discontinuance of the compulsory paper in English in the various examinations conducted by the Union Public Service Commission was referred to an Erpert Committee headed by Dr. Satish Chandra, ex-Chairman, University Grants Commission. The Government has not taken a final decision on the recommendations of this Committee.

Recommendations of Satish Chandra Committee

496. SHRI MD. SALIM : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Satish Chandra Committee had made certain recommendations in respect of medium of examinations through National Languages conducted by Union Public Service Commission ;

(b) if so, when the said report was submitted to Gtvernment ;

(c) what action Government have taken on the report ; and

(d) if no action has been taken what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA) : (a) to (d) The Satish Chandra Committee set up by the Union Public Service Commission examined the issues relating to introduction of multilingual system and the demand for discontinuance of a compulsory paper in English in the Union Public Service Commission's examinations. The Committee submitted its report to Union Public Service Commission on 11th May, 1990. A copy of the same alongwith the comments of UPSC thereon was received by the Government on 28-10-1990. The Government has not taken a final decision on the recommendations.